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Floor Fight Due On Guerseeing Of CIA Activity

A floor battle threatened today over the Senate Foreign Relations Committee's efforts to obtain representation on a CIA watchdog committee.

The battle, however, will not come until a week from tomor-row.

Sen. J. William Fulbright, D-Ark., chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, notified the Senate the resolution would not be sent to the floor until that time. It would create a select Senate committee on intelligence operations with three members each from the appropriations, Armed Services and Foreign Relations Committees.

Sen. Richard B. Russell, D-Ga., said he will raise a point of order against the resolution once it reaches the Senate floor.

Russell, chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, also heads the watchdog committee. It met this morning to consider the matter and afterward Russell said, "It looks like we will be unable to reach an agreement."

He said there was no change in the unanimous view of the seven-member watchdog group—made up of Appropriations and Armed Services Committee members—that it would be unwise to adopt the resolution without full hearings and study.

Subcommittees made up of ranking Democratic and Republican members of those two committees, meeting together, have been keeping an eye on the operations of the intelligence agency for many years.

The foreign relations group is seeking representation on the watchdog committee because of the effect of CIA operations on foreign policy.

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